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In re the Application of
BRUCE NACHMAN
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For: INTERFACE CIRCUIT FOR
UTILIZING A FACSIMILE COUPLED TO A
PC AS A SCANNER

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With respect to the Office Action restriction, election is made for examination on the merits, for
category II Claims 27 - 42 and newly submitted claims 43-50, drawn to a method of use of
facsimile machines and office products or computers, a method of making or using a facsimile
machine operable as a scanner or a printer for a personal computer.

This submission is made with reservation based on intent to traverse the restriction for reasonable
and proper overlap, of the invention claims.

Supplemental to the filing of the above identified application, as a Continued Prosecution
Application (CPA) and preparatory to examination thereof, kindly amend the above identified
election of claims drawn to a method of use.

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Add new Claims 51

Claim 51 - A method of using a facsimile machine as a scanner or printer for a personal computer.
each of the facsimile machine and personal computer using communication types of circuits,
comprising the steps of:

- (a) Configuring the facsimile machine to communicate with the personal computer using
the facsimile machine, and isolated from the active telephone network,
- (b) arranging the facsimile machine to be in a simulated off-hook condition, or connection
mode; and
- (c) shifting the personal computer to an off-hook condition, or connection mode for
sending or receiving signals without interruption or manipulation in facsimile formats.

Claim 52 - A method of using a facsimile machine with a computer, such that said facsimile
machine, can operate as a scanning device, when isolated from the telephone network, comprising
the steps of: